

Philatelic Foundation Offers Teachers Course In Basic Philately

A course from which the teachers in the New York public school system can gain In-Service credit, is one to be offered by the Philatelic Foundation with the approval of the Board of Superintendents of the Educational Department of that city. While it is open to all interested persons, it has been especially designed for the teaching fraternity. It will consist of a course in Philately arranged to meet the needs of those teachers and others interested in practical instruction in the basic principles of Philately will be given by the Philatelic Foundation. Classes will assemble at the Collector's club, 22 East 35th street, New York 16, N. Y. beginning September 16th and every Tuesday thereafter from 7 p. m. to 8:40 p. m.

Included among the topics to be discussed are: The purpose of an avocation; psychological and social values; how Philately meets the requirements; brief survey of postal history; origin and development of Philately; ways and means of collecting; the tools of the pursuit; types and purposes of collections; the stamps themselves and their classification; methods of production; why and wherefore of varieties and their significance; the place of the used stamp in Philately; cultural and economic aspects of Philately as well as other topics. In all, there will be a total of fifteen lectures.

All lectures and demonstrations will be made or given under the direction of Winthrop S. Boggs, well known philatelist and writer. Teachers will be charged a fee of \$3.00, for others the fee is \$10.00.

Registration should be made by letter to the Philatelic Foundation, at the above address. As the class is limited in the number that can be accommodated early enrollment is suggested to assure entry.

Canada To Use Prepaid Air Letter Forms

The Post Office Department of Canada has announced that on or about September 1, new postage imprinted Canada Air Letter Forms may be purchased at post offices in the same way as regular postage stamps. They will be sold at face value in the 10c blue, and the 15c red denominations to cover both Canada Air Letter postage rates. Arrangements have been made so that these will be available at all post offices throughout the Dominion nearly at once.

Firms that have found the Air Letter a distinct help in their business will still be able to purchase unstamped forms on which they can add their own business names and other wording providing it falls within post office department regulations. These will not be imprinted for postage.

All other holdings of the forms are asked to be returned to the post office since after August 31 they will not be recognized. After that date, only the prepaid forms will be permissible.

1947 Issue New Zealand Ins. Stamps



Through the courtesy of Joseph J. Goldberg of Culver City, Calif., we are able to show the 1947 issue of the New Zealand Life Insurance stamps. All are printed in bi-color, and are quite pleasing to the eye. Those of our readers who are unacquainted with stamps of this nature are informed that they are actually official stamps usable only by the Insurance Department of the New Zealand government. They can not be used by civilians, nor any other governmental department. They are sold to collectors in the mint condition by the Philatelic Agency of New Zealand as an accommodation. The series depicts various famous lighthouses of that country and the famous Eddystone Light of England. Reading from left to right in the top row is the 1/2d. "Castlepoint" lighthouse, 1d. "Tairoa"; second row, 3d. "Eddystone", 4d. "Stephens Island", 1/ "Cape Brett"; third row, 2d. "Cape Palliser", and the 6d. "The Brothers".

Convention Auction Of A. P. S. Attracted Many Buyers And Bids

Spirited floor action resulted at the APS Convention HI-HAT Auction as a result of the 250 collectors and dealers who assembled for the sale, conducted by the STAMP-ADE CO., Carnegie Hall, Cleveland 15, Ohio at the Wm. Penn Hotel in Pittsburgh on August 14th.

The crowd not only witnessed the sale of 303 Lots but also heard the first "singing commercials" and "transcribed spots" in the stamp business, according to Nelson P. La Ganke, owner of the company.

A collection of U. S. Postal Cards, on album pages sold for \$65 to a floor buyer. The Famous Americans in sets of blocks, PL# blocks and full sheets of the 10c values proved popular with the 10c Bell sheet selling for \$83. A plain block of 4 of the second Duck stamp sold for \$55 and all the Duck blocks proved to be popular items. A single of the "framed" 10c Confederate went for \$47. The fifth offering of the \$1 Prexy Block, Imperf Between Horizontally sold at the highest price to date, namely \$925 to a floor buyer. The Dollar values of the Columbians and the Canadian 1897 Jubes were very popular also, with the \$3 Canadian selling at \$42 and the \$5 at \$53, both practically full catalog.

Collectors Warned About Current Bogus Offerings By APS

Collectors should take note of the fact that quite a large number of crude faked part-perforates, Kansas-Nebraska surcharges, and other bogus stamps are now on the market. The material specifically complained of at this time originated at Terre Haute, Indiana, and seems to have been made by a person who has since died. It is reliably reported that the fakes were made eight or ten years ago and have from time to time since then been offered to collectors and dealers. Part-perforates of the 1c and 2c 1902 and 1908-21 issues on post cards or parts of envelopes are prominent in the lot. They are on cards addressed to persons in Ashdown, Ark., Terre Haute, Ind., Shelburn, Ind. and a few other small towns. The surcharges are quite crude and in most instances appear over the cancellations. What purport to be 1909 bluish paper varieties are copies with the paper colored by the faker.

The American Philatelic Society is taking steps to round up this bogus material for the protection of unsuspecting collectors. Anyone observing items such as those described above should notify the Society's Executive Secretary H. Clay Musser, P. O. Box 800, State College, Pa.

Centennial Commemorative Stamp For Wisconsin Has Been Promised By Postmaster General Hannegan

A dispatch from the Milwaukee Journal has been received in which the efforts expended in behalf of a Centennial stamp and other commemorative events for this same celebration is recorded. Wisconsin's 1948 centennial celebration will receive nation-wide recognition next year with the issuance by the postmaster general of a postage stamp commemorating the state's one hundredth anniversary. This was announced at the state fair by Dr. Ora R. Rice, Delavan, chairman of the governor's centennial committee. The committee's executive board met in the fair's administration building. The color, denomination, size and

kind of picture that the Wisconsin centennial stamp will bear has not yet been decided, Dr. Rice said. Postmaster General Robert Hannegan recently informed the committee that its request for a stamp had been approved and that he felt it should be issued next May 29, the day in 1848 on which Wisconsin joined the union. The centennial committee, however, felt that the appearance of the stamp January 1 would serve the centennial celebration to better advantage and has requested that date.

"The executive board will meet September 19 in Madison to decide the color, size and etching it prefers and will submit its suggestions to Hannegan. Dr. Rice said that the board was quite certain that the postmaster general would approve 'any reasonable suggestions.'

"The stamp was requested after President Truman denied a request for a centennial coin.

"Wisconsin's one hundredth anniversary will include three major events. There will be a program in Madison next January 5, formally opening the celebration, with Chief Justice Marvin Rosenberry of the state supreme court presiding; a speaking program and a band concert at the capitol May 29 under sponsorship of the University of Wisconsin, the Madison foundation and Dane county, and the centennial exposition at state fair park here from August 7 to August 29, under the direction of Ralph E. Ammon, director of the state fair. The exposition will take the place of the state fair next year, Ammon said.

"The exposition will be paid for out of state fair funds, Ammon said Thursday. It will be devoted to the history of the state, with the Wisconsin Historical society, transportation, food, education and industry each using a building at the park.

"The committee opposes any commercial aspect to the centennial event and has turned down offers from many concessionaires and other salesmen who want approval for the sale of decorations and souvenirs, Dr. Rice said. The principal souvenir will be a flag with 30 stars, the number in the flag when Wisconsin joined the Union. This will be used for decoration at the Exposition and will be distributed throughout the state. The committee will place one huge order for the flags and will handle the distribution itself, Dr. Rice said.

"The only other souvenir approved by the committee is a plaque with a relief of the state

capitol building on it." Edward H. Millard and Fred Siegel both of Milwaukee also called our attention to the "Journal" article.

Ten Cent Air Mail Stamp Ceremonies Held In Washington

The patio of the Pan American Union Building was the scene of ceremonies incident to the first day sale of the new 10-cent air mail stamp at 11 a. m. on August 30, the Post Office Department announced. The stamp, intended for use on air mail to Latin American countries, bears a reproduction of a plane in flight over the Pan-American Union Building and Postal officials stated that it was most appropriate that the ceremonies were held there.

Vincent C. Burke, Postmaster, Washington, D. C. presided. Third Assistant Postmaster General Joseph J. Lawler presented the first sheet of stamps on behalf of Postmaster General Robert E. Hannegan to the Acting Director of the Pan American Union, William E. Manger, who accepted them for Dr. Alberto Lleres, Director General. Dr. Lleres is now in Brazil attending the Inter-American Conference at Rio de Janeiro.

Members of the Governing Board of the Pan-American Union were presented with a special album containing the air mail stamp, as were the Officers of the American Air Mail Society who held their annual convention at the Raleigh Hotel in Washington from August 29 to 31.

Postmaster General Hannegan sent the first letter bearing the new air mail stamp to Secretary of State George C. Marshall at the Conference in Rio de Janeiro.

Syracuse Stamp Club To Eat, Exhibit And Bid In September

The Syracuse Stamp Club of Syracuse, New York has announced that on September 27 it will have an exhibition and banquet at the Masonic Temple in that city. Two events are planned to be celebrated at this time, both Centenary events. One cheer will be rendered in commemoration of the 100th year of our postage stamps, while another will be produced to honor the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the city of Syracuse. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by two speakers and an auction.

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APPROVAL EDUCATION

(Continued from a previous issue)

We have received some good comments about the previous two writeups, under the above heading. We shall attempt to go further into the matter of approvals, without trying to repeat ourselves too many times but there are many phases of stamp collecting which will bear repeating if nothing more than to imprint them in your mind. So, if we repeat any particular phrase too many times please bear with us and feel that we are merely trying to impress you with that statement.

One of the biggest mistakes that some collectors often make, is that of expecting many dealers to carry every one cent stamp as well as every \$1,000 stamp in stock for their personal requirement. Little do they consider the fact that this is practically impossible. We have seen claims made by some stamp dealers that they handle everything, but a moment of thought on the matter will prove to you that this statement is untrue. It is possible to have everything of certain countries but not of the entire world. A little mathematics on this point will prove what we are attempting to point out.

It is said that in order to get full coverage of every new issue of the entire world, the cost would run about \$200.00 per month. That would be for each and every customer that a dealer had on his records. Now supposing a dealer had 100 customers that demanded every new issue as fast as they came out. Totally, that would make his stock 100 of everything and there fore an outlay of expense in advance of at least a maximum of \$20,000. This is for only one month. Some consideration of having to place orders for material months in advance with foreign countries, plus the deposit will prove that the dealer would have to be an exporter as well as a retail out-let. Therefore, multiply the \$20,000. times any amount you want to, and you will soon see that it would take more than a multi-millionaire to keep up with the business. No—dealers usually depend on a great number of whole-salers to supply their needs and sometimes the wholesaler will not even have the particular stamp you wish.

Following this trend of thought, we find that with the dealers depending a great deal on their supplier whomever he may be, you will find the dealer sometimes advising you that he is forced to back order your latest list. In all fairness to him, do not sit right down and order the same stamps

from another dealer. That is not playing the game fair. Sometimes, the dealer will go to a lot of expense in order to get the stamps that you wish, and then find that you have found them somewhere else. Then he must place the stamps in stock and tie up possibly badly needed capital until he can find another buyer for those stamps. If you give the dealer a want list, and he tells you he is trying to find them for you—give him a fair chance to find them, and when you are tired of waiting, at least be courteous enough to write him and ask him the latest status on those stamps. You might tell him, that if he is still awaiting reply, that you wish to cancel the order and await his reply before sending off the list to another dealer. It is just possible that he is sending them to you at that very moment. Long arm of coincidence but it has happened and will happen again.

If you write to all the dealers you can think of, just to be sure you get a certain stamp, then your name will soon be banded around as a bargain hunter. Whether you are a bargain hunter or not is beside the point. On the face of it, it appears that you are doing just that.

Give your dealer a chance, and when it is necessary to change to another dealer for any reason give him a break too. There are times that you will need many dealers to handle your requirements but be fair to all of them. If you are just starting with a new dealer, don't send him the hardest list that you can find. Send him a list of wants along the lines of material that was in his advertisement that first attracted you. Find out about him as a dealer and what he has to offer but don't expect miracles. He is another dealer perhaps specializing in some country but not the world. Treat them all, the same as you would like to be treated and they will all reciprocate. Give yourself a break!

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Newspapers Support Santa Claus Stamp

We have had sent to us in the past week several newspaper clippings referring to the proposed issue of a Santa Claus or Christmas stamp. The fact that these clippings are coming from the daily newspapers seems to indicate that



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the proposal which we made in our issue of December 24, 1946 is gaining in favor altho when the proposal was made in a personal letter to the Postmaster General as well as through an open letter in our paper, word came back from Washington giving so many excuses as to why such a stamp could not be issued, that it looked hopeless at that time. Let us review the case by quoting to you the open letter we printed on the front page of our December 24, 1946 edition.

"A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO OUR POSTMASTER GENERAL AND TO OUR READERS"

"To you Mr. Hannegan there can come undying fame and glory and in the acquisition of this great honor you need but use your office and influence to see that we have ready for issue by December 1, 1947 a specially prepared postage stamp picturing none other than that great man St. Nicholas, or as we called him in our childhood days, Santa Claus."

"The production of such a stamp should be an annual event for sale during December of each year. It would add much to the merriment of the season, to the Christmas cards and parcels that go through our mails and would serve as a message of Christmas Cheer on every piece of mail to which it were attached"

"To you our readers, we can only wish that your Christmas has been a merry one and that the New Year may bring you all that your heart desires. You can help with the project proposed above. Your letters in support of this suggestion should be addressed to the Postmaster General at Washington or to members of Congress. Let's have a Santa Claus stamp—George W. Linn."

The above is a copy of our original message and suggestion for this Santa Claus stamp which is now being urged in the newspapers of America. When the suggestion was made to Washington, the usual line of excuses were made, the chief one of which is apparently being used now, in that the Department believes that such a large number of the stamps would be left over as remainders that the loss would be tremendous.

We believe there is little chance of any such happening. A careful study could be made to judge the expected number of copies needed.

Unquestionably, thousands upon thousands of cards now mailed at the 1½c rate would be mailed under this Christmas stamp at the 3c rate, thus gaining enough in this way alone to more than compensate for any possible loss. On the other hand, any surplus of the stamp after December 31, could be returned to Washington for sale through the Agency and without question, if proper estimates were made, there would be little or no loss from destruction of any of the remainders.

Unquestionably a Santa Claus stamp would be a success. We again urge our readers to support this request by addressing letters to Postmaster General Hannegan or to President Truman or both. There is yet time to produce this stamp for this year's Christmas Season.

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Steel, a major industry of this Australian city, is symbolized and recognized on a 3½d blue stamp, on which is shown a giant mechanical ladle pouring the molten metal into a receptacle on a car. A 5½d. green stamp is intended to honor the coal industry which also has a major importance for Newcastle. Two large wheeled dock cranes are shown in the process of removing coal from a pile on a dock to the hold of a ship.

According to Joseph Goldberger who was one of the two interested readers who sent information to us on the above set, the 2½d. rate is intended to pay the domestic rate on letters, the 3½d. the postal rate for letters sent abroad, and the 5½d. to pay the domestic rate on a registered letter. Maj. R. C. Dettman of Swanbourne, West Australia was our other correspondent.

Maj. Dettman is authority for the news that the stamp in honor of Lord Forrest has not been abandoned by the Australian government. Senator Cameron, the postmaster general of Australia, assured interested parties that this stamp would probably be issued early next year.



In his speech upon the occasion of the first day of issuance of the 15 cents Air Mail stamp ceremonies, Third Assistant Postmaster General Joseph J. Lawler is authority for the statement that with the reduction of the foreign air mail rates last fall, an increase of 75% in volume has taken place in the mail to foreign countries by air. It was the intention of the Post Office Department to make this speedy means of communication available to persons and business firms at a nominal low rate.

The first day sale ceremonies for the 15 cents Air Mail stamp took place at the New York City Post Office, where at 11:30 a. m. amidst a gathering of notables the first sheet of the new stamp was sold.

According to the list printed by the Philatelic Agency at Washington, dated August 1 the following stamps are still on sale there. All are 3c commemoratives; Roosevelt, Iwo Jima, Army, Navy, Coast Guard, Alfred E. Smith, Texas, Merchant Marine, Discharge Emblem, Tennessee, Iowa, Smithsonian, Kearny, Edison, Pulitzer, Centenary, Doctors and Utah. The 5c Roosevelt and the 15c Centenary Souvenir Sheet are also on sale.

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O. J. Richardson poses the question of how the Post Office Department expects to save money by not printing some of the values of the Presidential Series which it has discontinued this year. He stated that in many cases two stamps now have to be used where one of the others was sufficient.

Our postmaster says that less values mean less storage space, less accounting, and less laying around of sheets of stamps that they rarely ever have a call for. The various post offices can now get quicker service on requests for stamps to the central accounting office than previously.

It is also a good way to get the stamp collectors scurrying around as if their last chance on earth to get stamps was just about to come to pass. We've got to hand it to the Post Office Department for giving us an interesting philatelic year up to now.

Perhaps our poor old eyes aren't what they used to be, but it seems that the color of the Doctor stamp has been lightened and sharpened up a bit. It may be that we're getting used to the stamp and know it by heart, or that the Bureau has changed the color of the ink somewhat. At least the stamp design is more clear than the first copies printed. It still is a poor choice of color for such a grand design.

Just saw some Utah stamps that have the color running more toward a dark purple. Other stamps of this same issue seemed to have more of a bluish cast to the color. The above difference is very noticeable.

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Old Professor Is Joined By Elmer The Chick In-Tagging Some Of The Characters In Philatelic Fold

by Carl P. Rueth

"A smile certainly looks better on your face than the expression you are now wearing," declared the Old Professor as I joined him down by the creek where his wife said he was fishing. "In fact, you look just as if you had lost your last typewriter." "I can't figure some people out," I told him. "There's a certain element that hangs to this hobby of collecting stamps that I begin to wonder about. 'Didn't some guy write in' this week, as you are wont to put it," he probed.

"Some guy did write in," I told him "and it's because of something he wrote in his letter about some of his acquaintances that has me wondering. This fellow sent in a renewal of his subscription to Linn's Weekly, and in a letter he wrote, he said that he had tried to get some of his collector friends to subscribe and that these birds had told him that they wouldn't spend three cents a year on any stamp paper, ours or anybody else's. He also mentioned that he had tried to get them to join his stamp club, and that they couldn't see any benefit in joining that either."

Just then a tiny yellow-bell of a chick broke away from a flock that was grubbing along the creek under the watchful eye of a mother hen, and made straight for the Old Professor. It hopped into his lap, and with a delighted "Cheep, Cheep" settled snugly into the crook of his arm.

"That's my boy Elmer," he explained, "but please continue."

"Well I wrote back to this guy and gave him my sympathies for associating with the philatelic dead, and hoped that he's seeing these stiff got a decent burial. I also gave him some facts for the friends benefit, but I don't think that I was able to sell them. I pointed out that at a subscription price of a dollar per year our paper is only costing a person approximately two cents per week. At that price, even if a guy didn't do anything but wrap his lunch in it, he couldn't lose. He could even save this two cents many times over by smart shopping through the ads. Then besides, it's surely worth two cents a week to increase your knowledge of something that you are pretty much wrapped up in. I've seen some ideas and tips in our paper

which if taken advantage of could save more than the cost of a year's subscription. And still these wiseheimsers claim that it ain't worth the dough."

"I wonder if they realize that counting all the costs that go into the making of our paper from office charges, printing, mailing and postage and others that it costs in the neighborhood of five cents for each copy each week. There's three cents that the subscriber never has to pay. The fellow who does carry this three cents per week is the dealer who advertises his wares on our pages. Of course in every successful publication, the subscriber is subsidized by the advertisers, whether it's Life, The Saturday Evening Post or Linn's or any other top-notch outfit. What puzzles me then is why those characters think they are being taken when they are asked to subscribe to any stamp paper."

"Cheep, cheep," chimed in Elmer trying to get a word in edgewise.

"Hush Elmer," admonished the Old Professor. Then turning to me he made a statement that got me for a minute.

"I think that you are better off without these fellows as subscribers than you would be with them," he said.

"You really have to have a good reason to make that one stick," I told him. "It sounds something like enjoying hitting yourself on the head with a hammer because it feel so good when you quit."

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"I don't think that it's because they are short of money that these persons act like that," continued the Old Professor, "because from all that I've seen of them most have enough to spend on stamps to keep the ordinary collector happy. I know of some collectors who are very limited in the amount of money that they can afford for stamps and supplies. These fellows just don't have jobs that pay them in the substantial money. Every cent that they spend on stamps and accessories must be spent to the best advantage."

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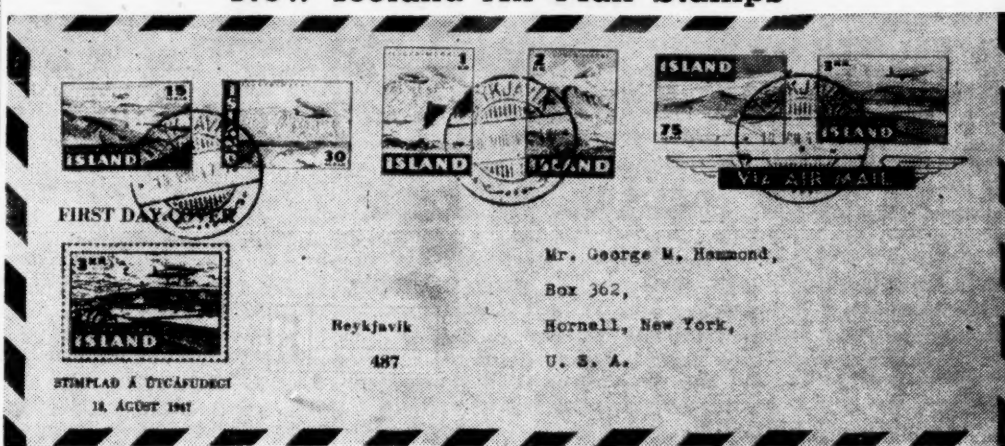
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THE OLD PROFESSOR

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paper could put them next to
profitable ideas and show them
advantageous purchases in the
ads carried."

"But what about these charac-
ters that I talked about at first,"
I asked him. "These guys that
won't spend any of their dough
for a stamp newspaper, or to
belong to a stamp club."

"Oh, them," he recalled, "Elmer
has been telling you the answer
on those fellows all along."
"What do you mean that Elmer
has been telling me the answer
to that one," I shot back at him.

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listen to him," said the Old Pro-
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Designed by Art Engler, Day-
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in blue to match the color of the
3 cent Centenary stamps with
which the covers will be franked.
This commemorative piece will be
mailed on October 25, the opening
of the 21st annual Stamp Exhibi-
tion of the Dayton Philatelic So-
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celled will cost 15c bearing a
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ciety of Harrisburg, Pa., is plan-
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to the 12th. Collectors other than
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The latest in this long line of stupid attempts was shown in the Sunday News of New York on August 24th, and undoubtedly in a lot of other papers subscribing to the same service. It showed a horseman, Franklin Safford, with his favorite horse, Indiana Boy. Both horse and man are studying a stamp collection housed in one of the tiny paper albums sold in most five and dime stores. The horse seems to show a greater sense of philatelic nicety than the man, for the latter is holding a magnifying glass that is some two feet from his eye and another two feet from the stamp album, a position in which it would be impossible to see the stamps.

Of course the title accompanying the picture says that Safford is a "stamp collector of no mean proportions", and of course the horse shares "its master's philatelic endeavors". This sort of nonsense undoubtedly brought smiles from Safford when his press agent reported his day's work; from stamp collectors it should bring only loud guffaws at the absurdity of the whole thing.

Detroit Post Office Vending Machines Sell Stamps At Face Value

We learn from Marvin Hilt of Detroit, Mich., that the main post office in that city has sold stamps from two vending machines located there at face value. He states that this information refutes the assertion made in the August 25 issue where in an article about a new vending machine the one illustrated is the first to offer patrons postage stamps at face value. The Detroit robots sell 5 one cent stamps for 5c, 1 five cents for 5c, 5 two cents for 10c, and 3 three cents plus one cent change for a dime.

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A very fine new issue coverage is made, together with serious articles on the stamps of Austria. Other pages are devoted to news and stamps of the entire world. The subscription for one year is one dollar in United States money, payable to their agent in this country, Otto Wlaschm, 55 Nagle Ave., New York 34 N. Y.

SEPAD Exhibition Of 1947 Scheduled For Philadelphia

The annual national stamp exhibition of the associated stamp clubs of Southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware will be held in Town Hall, 150 N. Broad street in the center of down town Philadelphia, October 24, 25 and 26.

The show will consist of approximately 350 frames, 36 x 48 inches holding 16 standard album pages each, price \$2.00 per frame. Those who might want information about the show, or would like to have a prospectus should address Harry Scholz, secretary, 811 E. Schiller street, Philadelphia 34, Pa. Closing date for entries is September 24.

Competition will be as follows: CLASS A—applies to those exhibits which have won a major (grand) award at an exhibition of national importance; CLASS B—to consist of all winners of an award at any national stamp exhibition; CLASS C—open to all collectors who have never won an award at a national exhibition.

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One of the new India Air letters was received by John H. Feeman of Indianapolis, Ind., recently who notes that the value as printed on the sheet was not sufficient to carry the letter to his home town. To the 6 Annas stamp imprinted on the sheet was added 2 1/2 Anna stamps and one of 1 Anna value making a total of eight in all. The imprinted stamp is approximately 1 1/2 in. x 1 1/4 in. in size and worded in English. Computing from the postmarks, Mr. Feeman finds that it took ten days to carry the letter from Bangalore, South India to his home in Indiana.

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Our readers are privileged to see the above first day cover of the new Iceland Air Mail Stamps through the thoughtfulness of George M. Hammond, Hornell, N. Y. The stamps are cancelled August 18 at Reykjavik, capital of the country. The six values are as follows, a 15 Aur orange red, a 30 Aur. black, a 75 Aur. brown violet, a 1 Kr. dark blue, a 2 Kr. dark brown and a 3 Kr. dark green. The stamps picture a glacier, mountain peak, river, fjords and harbor. We also saw this same set on a first day cover brought to our attention by E. Helgason of New York City.

THE OLD PROFESSOR
(Contd from Page 5)

pensive albums costing \$15 on up, but you will always find their stamps tastefully mounted on good quality album pages. And come the time that they die and pass on to their heavenly reward you will find that these fellows have accumulated some attractive and valuable material that turns a nice chunk of money into the estate when the collection is sold.

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"Oh, them," he recalled, "Elmer has been telling you the answer on those fellows all along."

"What do you mean that Elmer has been telling me the answer to that one," I shot back at him. "Just be quiet a minute and listen to him," said the Old Professor. "You'll get the idea."

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Designed by Art Engler, Dayton engraver, the cachet will be in blue to match the color of the 3 cent Centenary stamps with which the covers will be franked. This commemorative piece will be mailed on October 25, the opening of the 21st annual Stamp Exhibition of the Dayton Philatelic Society at the Miami Hotel, Dayton.

Russell Lyle of 19 Beechwood Ave., Dayton, Ohio has been appointed the sales agent for the cachet envelopes and the poster stamps by the stamp club. Interested readers can direct their inquiries and remittances to him at that address. Envelopes bearing the cachet and properly cancelled will cost 15c bearing a single stamp, or two for 25c. Blocks of four on cover are 25c. The poster stamps will be issued in two colors, one of each being sold for 10c.

Only six Bourse tables remain at the time of writing out of total of fifteen. Robert Poland, 1924 Grand Ave., Dayton, chairman of the Bourse reports. Dealers from Detroit, Cleveland, Toledo, Louisville, Cincinnati and Newcastle, Ind., have already reserved tables. Visitors to the two day show in Dayton will have a wonderful opportunity to pick up many elusive items from the high caliber of dealers who have made preparations to be there.

October Stamp Show Is The 18th Annual For Harrisburg

The 18th Annual Exhibition of the Capital City Philatelic Society of Harrisburg, Pa., is planned as a five day show. To be held in the Pennsylvania State Museum of that city, the show opens on October 8, and continues to the 12th. Collectors other than members of the above club will be permitted to exhibit; those wanting further information in this regard are to write Elmer Long, 112 Market St., Harrisburg, Pa. Overall chairman of the event is George Billheimer. President of the club, Russell K. Bower, extends a cordial invitation to all collectors to visit the show.

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Milking The Hobby For Some Stupid Publicity

Time and again press agents for individuals or groups try to associate their clients with stamp collecting, as a feeble attempt to get a bit of publicity for them. It is an old stunt with movie stars, many of whom are alleged to possess sizeable stamp collections. Some years ago one of them even invaded a New York auction room with Kleig lights so that some publicity pictures of him could be taken showing him bidding for "rarities". The photos when released didn't state that his purchase amounted to twelve dollars!

The latest in this long line of stupid attempts was shown in the Sunday News of New York on August 24th, and undoubtedly in a lot of other papers subscribing to the same service. It showed a horseman, Franklin Safford, with his favorite horse, Indiana Boy. Both horse and man are studying a stamp collection housed in one of the tiny paper albums sold in most five and dime stores. The horse seems to show a greater sense of philatelic nicety than the man, for the latter is holding a magnifying glass that is some two feet from his eye and another two feet from the stamp album, a position in which it would be impossible to see the stamps.

Of course the title accompanying the picture says that Safford is a "stamp collector of no mean proportions", and of course the horse shares "its master's philatelic endeavors". This sort of nonsense undoubtedly brought smiles from Safford when his press agent reported his day's work; from stamp collectors it should bring only loud guffaws at the absurdity of the whole thing.

Detroit Post Office Vending Machines Sell Stamps At Face Value

We learn from Marvin Hilf of Detroit, Mich., that the main post office in that city has sold stamps from two vending machines located there at face value. He states that this information refutes the assertion made in the August 25 issue where in an article about a new vending machine the one illustrated is the first to offer patrons postage stamps at face value. The Detroit robots sell 5 one cent stamps for 5c, 1 five cents for 5c, 5 two cents for 10c, and 3 three cents plus one cent change for a dime.

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SEPAD Exhibition Of 1947 Scheduled For Philadelphia

The annual national stamp exhibition of the associated stamp clubs of Southeastern Pennsylvania and Delaware will be held in Town Hall, 150 N. Broad street in the center of down town Philadelphia, October 24, 25 and 26.

The show will consist of approximately 350 frames, 36 x 48 inches holding 16 standard album pages each, price \$2.00 per frame. Those who might want information about the show, or would like to have a prospectus should address Harry Scholz, secretary, 811 E. Schiller street, Philadelphia 34, Pa. Closing date for entries is September 24.

Competition will be as follows: CLASS A—applies to those exhibits which have won a major (grand) award at an exhibition of national importance; CLASS B—to consist of all winners of an award at any national stamp exhibition; CLASS C—open to all collectors who have never won an award at a national exhibition.

The following prizes will be awarded: a trophy to the winner of Class A; a gold medal, ribbon, and certificate to all other exhibitors. The SEPAD grand award will go to the best exhibit in class B or C; with medals for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd winners in each section, ribbons and certificates to all other winners in each group. Also the Maurice S. Petty special award presented on behalf of the Metropolitan Cover club for the best exhibit of airport dedication covers.

Special features of the show will include a Bourse of at least 25 tables; a veteran's exhibit composed of "stamps supplied to the wounded"; a U. S. post office, where current commemorative stamps may be purchased and where a special SEPAD cancellation will be applied; a SEPAD meter slogan commemorating the show; and a banquet, Saturday evening, October 25, at which the national and local SEPAD MERIT AWARDS will be presented.

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CORRECTION NOTICE

In our issue of August 25th, 1947, the ad of M. Dittmar & Co. has a stamp listed as No. 181 has a stamp listed as No. 181 at \$2.50. As this is an obvious error in printing we wish to call it to the readers attention. The ad should have read Switzerland unused single No. 182 price \$2.50. We hope that readers will refer to this ad and make the proper correction. Those persons having ordered the stamp as advertised, are requested to contact the company at 237 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y. as they will receive the stamp No. 182 which is the correct stamp.

AIR LETTER FROM INDIA IS NOTED

One of the new India Air letters was received by John H. Feeman of Indianapolis, Ind., recently who notes that the value as printed on the sheet was not sufficient to carry the letter to his home town. To the 6 Annas stamp imprinted on the sheet was added 2 1/2 Anna stamps and one of 1 Anna value making a total of eight in all. The imprinted stamp is approximately 1 1/8 in. x 1 1/4 in. in size and worded in English. Computing from the postmarks, Mr. Feeman finds that it took ten days to carry the letter from Bangalore, South India to his home in Indiana.

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This is an extraordinary unusual cover in that it is the first day of a new country, such covers should be destined to become philatelic gems of the first water. Let us all watch and wait for the first Pakistan stamps to appear, a first day of them will also be well worth hunting for.

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BY Oliver Griddell

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FAMOUS AMERICANS—Interesting to note since our quote on August 25th that these have risen from \$340. bid—\$430. ask, to the new figure of \$375. bid to \$430. ask. That means a buyers price of an increase \$35. in less than two weeks. Is that price rise predicted coming sooner than October?

10c FAMOUS AMERICANS—They have shown a steady increase of \$1.00 per sheet, per week on the lower priced 10c values mint. That would be an increase of \$3.00 per sheet on those items since last surveyed (Aug 25th.)

16c FARLEY AIRMAIL—Price has gone up \$.50 on the buyer market per sheet, and \$.40 on the seller's market. Still more rises in this to come. The high of \$190. of last season is not out of the realm of possibility.

KANSAS-NEBRASKA—Market very thin on blocks of four in very fine condition. Plenty of would be buyers but no one letting loose of holdings, if any.

BRITISH PEACE—May be the time that they are due to take off. Noticed a slight advance in offerings in large lots of 10 sets. Overall advance has been \$6.00 per 10 sets. Not much but former buying and selling were plenty close for a while. Now a slight comfortable margin between the two and make your own price under \$50. per 10 sets. \$45-\$50 seems likely to be the buyer.

2c YORKTOWN—Noticeable dropping in the 3 sided perf variety. 90c drop per sheet in the paying end of it. Price asked, stays same at \$3.50 plus.

FARLEY NEWBURGH—Sudden activity in this in full sheets of 400. Watch it go higher when more of this is done. Breaking of sheets to meet demand for cross gutter blocks. Balance of sheet outside of gutter margin blocks is being used for postage. Have seen plenty of these in late mails. Nice jump in buyers market of \$7.00 per sheet and still not many sellers. The gum variety still remains status quo at a price of \$.50. plus for last several months. (Mail used is estimated due to having received some of the Farleys to pay for bills, at face value in large pieces.

Hard to judge, but this is my guess.)

10c SPA PANES. A very small advance in lots of 100. Only 25c per lot but something. This one has been dead for so long, it is wondered when the end of the holdings will be in sight. Note that Scotts has listed the used variety of CIPEX in Journal at 20c per pane as against the mint variety of only 25c. Got many of them authentically used?

Many thanks to the many that have written in regard ing this column. It will probably be used approximately every two weeks, and maybe in time, we shall try to enlarge it to take in some of the better foreign sets as we see them. If we guess right we shall tell you about it, but if wrong, I shall probably hear from you. TELL GRIDDLE YOUR VIEWS.

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By Geo. W. Linn

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Stamp Collecting—As I See It

by Edward J. Behrens

As a general stamp collector who has pursued the hobby for the past twenty-five years I would like to say a few words to all collectors who may have become discouraged in the last few years by the thousands of so-called unnecessary stamps that are being issued, and by the fact that some governments are acting in a manner that would tend to make one believe that such governments expect the American Stamp Collector to balance their budgets. I believe that one can still collect stamps of all countries without the urge to get all the stamps of all countries that have ever been issued. No one should feel compelled to get all the the money in the world or to have a corner on any other commodity that is available to mankind.

There are many objectives that a collector can have without the feeling of disappointment of not being able to get every stamp that comes out. I have garnered a lot of knowledge and a lot of experience from my hobby in the last twenty-five years on which I would not attempt to place any monetary value. I have through my hobby been able to advance my knowledge of the only foreign language that I studied in school to the extent that I now have a practical working knowledge of it, and I am at the present time learning a second foreign language. I have been induced to master these languages wholly through my interest in stamps. My hobby has awakened a curiosity in things historical and geographical, and through this curiosity I have pursued several branches of study that otherwise would never have occurred to me. In one sense of the word I have already acquired three degrees without the diplomas of course, but these things cannot help but give me a great satisfaction, and a lasting faith in stamp collecting.

I collect mint and used stamps of all countries. When I buy mint or used stamps I do not stop to ponder what returns they will bring in the years to come, but I appreciate them rather for their historical significance and for their artistic beauty. Many of the stamps issued in the past, and many of those now being issued have more significance in their delicate engravings than does a lot of the oil daubed on canvas, and I defy anyone to buy anywhere at any price such an exquisite pictorial history of the world comparable to a good stamp collection.

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CROWN COLONIES & DOMINIONS—From the librarian of the Students' Historical and Geographical Society of New Zealand comes a letter to this writer protesting the inclusion in this column of New Zealand in a discussion of British Colonial stamps. He advises that New Zealand has been a Dominion since 1907 and that New Zealanders resent their country being referred to as a colony.
He is of course correct but perhaps did not realize, that we are all, more or less, creatures of habit and that in the United States it has become the habit and custom among philatelists to refer to the stamps of the British Empire as British Colonials. Look at the ads in this or any other stamp periodical and you will find dealers, who under the heading of British Colonials, offer stamps of all of the British Empire. In an attempt to be accurate, this column has always been headed British Empire Chatter.
However, as result of this letter, I will attempt to explain the status of the various countries which are part of the British Empire and which we in the United States have been grouping as British Colonials.
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Stamps for all of the crown colonies are prepared and issued through the crown agents in London, but the dominions issue their own stamps and also stamps for their dependencies. There are some exceptions to this rule. Southern Rhodesia is really still a crown colony but has practically reached the point of becoming a dominion, and is so now considered. They have their own local legislature and issue their own stamps. Malta is a crown colony slated to become a dominion in the very near future.

There are many advantages in being part of the Empire one of which is the lower rate of postage between the various countries of the Empire as compared with the rates of all other countries. Bermuda is quite close to the United States but the postage rate from Bermuda to the United States is 2 1/2 pence while the rate from Bermuda to England is only 1 1/2 pence.

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